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1. UN SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION ON CYPRUS WAS PROMINENT
GREEK CYPRIOT NEWS STORY DECEMBER 16. SEMI-OFFICIAL
PHILELEFTHEROS HEADLINED STORY: "TURKISH MACHINATIONS FOILED -
NEW SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION CONSTITUTES RECOGNITION OF
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JUSTICE." PRO-LYSSARIDES TA NEA, CONSERVATIVE AGHON AND
COMMUNIST HARAVGHI EMPHASIZED IN THEIR TREATMENT GOC SATIS-
FACTION WITH RESOLUTION. ONLY PRO-SAMPSON MACHI NOTED
"SKEPTICISM IN NICOSIA" AND SUGGESTED RESOLUTION WAS GREEN
LIGHT TO U.S. FOR NEW INITIATIVE ON CYPRUS PROBLEM.
GOC-CONTROLLED RADIO AND TELEVISION STATION CBC REPORTED

DEBATE AND RESOLUTION PROMINENTLY.

2. PHILELEFTHEROS' EDITORIAL DECEMBER 16 CLAIMED MAIN POINT OF RESOLUTION IS "HOPE IT EXPRESSES FOR THE START OF MEANINGFUL AND PRODUCTIVE TALKS." PAPER CLAIMED GREEK SIDE IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT WITH THIS HOPE, PLACED RESPONSIBILITY ON SYG WADLHEIM TO GET TALKS GOING AGAIN. HARAVGHI REGRETTEED GREEK CYPRIOTS HAD NOT GAINED SC CONSIDERATION OF MEASURES TO IMPLEMENT UNGA RESOLUTIONS, BUT PAPER FELT RESOLUTION WOULD PAVE WAY IN FUTURE FOR BOLDER RESOLUTIONS BY SC WHICH, ACCORDING TO EDITORIAL, IS "MORALLY BOUND BY HOPES EXPRESSED IN UNGA RESOLUTION."

3. LOCAL TURK CYPRIOT REACTION TO LATEST UNSC RESOLUTION HAS BEEN LOW-KEY. ALL PAPERS HAVE COVERED "TFSC FOREIGN MINISTER" CHELIK'S COMMENTS REPORTED REFTEL AS WELL AS STATEMENT BY DENKTASH THAT RESOLUTION WAS NOT ACCEPTABLE BECAUSE OF ITS REFERENCE TO NON-EXISTENT CYPRUS GOVERNMENT. PRESS HAS ALSO HIGHLIGHTED DENKTASH STATEMENT THAT NEW RESOLUTION WAS RESTATEMENT OF EARLIER ONES AND THAT GREEKS HAD FAILED TO OBTAIN CHANGES THEY DESIRED.
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